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TAGS: ETRD, EPAP, EEC

SUBJECT: TEXTILES

1. IN ADDITION TO PRESENTATION IN BRUSSELS ON RULES OF
ORIGIN, SUGGEST YOU MAY WISH TO RAISE, ON MARGIN OF MEETING,
ISSUE OF MISLABELING OF AMERICAN PRODUCTS. BILL WALKER,
COUNSEL, FOR LEVI-STRAUSS AS INJURED PARTY, AT EXPORTERS
MEETING 4/11/78 STATED PROBLEM OF COUNTERFEITING OF LABELS
FOR TEXTILE PRODUCTS. MISLABELED PRODUCTS ARE OFTEN
LABELED IN LDCS AND SHIPPED TO EUROPE FOR SALE AS AMERICAN
ITEM. NO EFFECTIVE MECHANISMS APPEAR TO EXIST PRESENTLY
FOR CONTROLLING MISLABELING. NO ECONOMIC SANCTIONS EXIST
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AGAINST COMPANIES WHICH MISLABEL PRODUCTS. SEVERAL
AGENCIES HAVE BEEN PROPOSED TO DEAL WITH THE ISSUE:
1. THE CUSTOMS COOPERATION COUNCIL, BRUSSELS WHICH
ADMINISTERS CUSTOMS CONVENTIONS; 2. THE WORLD INTELLECTUAL
PROPERTY ORGANIZATION (WIPO), RE THE INTERNATIONAL PATENT
AND COPYRIGHT AGREEMENT; 3. MTN WHERE IT WOULD BE PROPOSED
THAT LDC'S DEVELOP AN ANTICOUNTERFEITING CODE AND A

PROCEDURE FOR SEIZURE AND REMOVAL FROM THE MARKET OF
MISLABELED GOODS--OR AT LEAST REMOVAL OF UNAUTHORIZED
LABELS.

2. AMERICAN APPAREL MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION CURRENTLY
DIRECTING ATTENTION TO THE PROBLEMS OF COUNTERFEIT
LABELS. PROBLEM GOES BEYOND TEXTILES AND APPAREL,
INCLUDES CARTIER ON WATCHES GUCCI ON HANDBAGS. VANCE

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